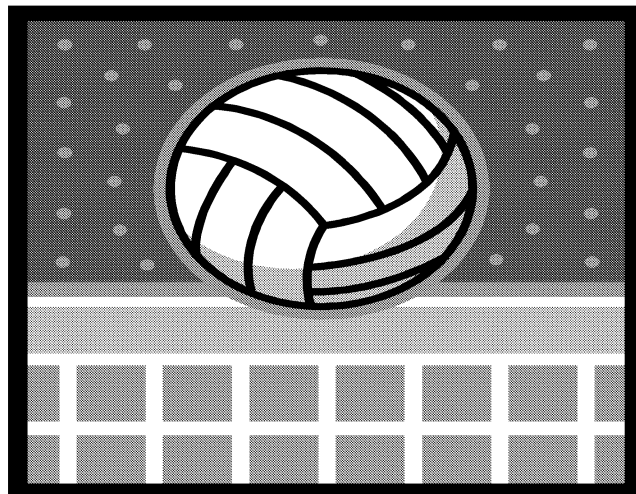


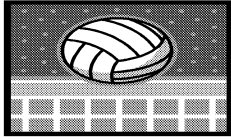
CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

Parks and Recreation

ADULT VOLLEYBALL Program Information

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SECTION I - PROGRAM INFORMATION

OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE

The City of Flagstaff Parks and Recreation Division's Adult Athletic Programs are designed to provide lifetime athletics for Flagstaff residents. The Division strives to motivate physical fitness, develop sportsmanship, and promote constructive family-oriented recreation activities.

REGISTRATION, PLAYING DATES, AND HOLIDAYS

- A. Registration will begin on August 14th to September 11th, 2006.
- B. Teams may register after 5:00 p.m. on the closing day with a \$20 late fee in addition to the registration fee of **\$200**.
- C. Registration means payment of total fees and completion of roster.
- D. All registration must be made in person in the Parks and Recreation Office, 211 West Aspen Ave. No registrations will be taken over the phone.
- E. Each player must sign a waiver release and return it to the Parks and Recreation Office or to on-site Recreation Staff by first scheduled game.
- F. Regular season play begins late September to mid-November, 2006.
- G. Season will be completed with an **ALL Team Single Elimination** tournament.

PROGRAM COST

\$200.00 per team. (\$20 late fee after September 11th). NO REFUNDS will be issued.

NUMBER OF GAMES

Every team is guaranteed a 14 game schedule and a tournament for **ALL** teams at the season's end.

COMMUNICATION

When registering your team, please fill out the necessary and correct information on the roster. This information will be used for notification of any cancellations or necessary information for the season. The City will notify team managers by letter mailed at least five (5) working days prior to the rescheduled game. If rescheduled game needs to be scheduled immediately, phone calls to team managers will be made. Rescheduled games will be played as soon as possible after game cancellations. They may be played on any day at any time. Call the Athletics Director at 773-3850 or 779-0037 with conflicts and/or questions.

RULES AND REGULATIONS POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Flagstaff's Parks and Recreation Division reserves the right to change any rules or regulations whenever due cause warrants. If a change is made, all team managers affected by the change will be notified by mail. In addition, the Parks and Recreation Division reserves the right to add and/or delete any rule or regulation when it benefits the program.

AGE LIMIT

Players must be 18 years of age or older to participate in adult athletics programs. A team participating with an illegal, underage player will forfeit the game.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The City of Flagstaff's Parks and Recreation Division does not discriminate against race, color, age handicap, or national origin in its athletic programs.

PLAYING TIMES AND DAYS

- A. Nights and facilities will be scheduled according to availability from Public Schools.
- B. Your team must be able to play on any given evening Sunday through Friday.
- C. Your team must be able to play during the evening hours on any given night.
- D. Rescheduled games by Parks and Recreation could be played on any given evening, any day, and at any facility.
- E. Teams that drop out of the league, once the schedules are out, will be dropped from the program. NO REFUNDS will be issued.
- F. Uniforms that are felt to be offensive in any way will not be allowed.
- G. Each team is responsible to see that the schedule is followed as to date, time, place, and any rescheduled games.
- H. If you wish to reschedule a game on your own, it is the responsibility of the requesting team to notify the Senior Recreation Coordinator (2) weeks prior to the date of your game that you are requesting to reschedule, with justification for the request. If approved by Senior Recreation Coordinator and opposing team the game must be played within one (1) week of original date, or the game will result in a forfeit by the requesting team. Official and facility may be furnished by Parks and Recreation upon availability.

AWARDS

- A. Overall season record will determine the winners of each division. Awards will be issued to **1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place** finishers in each league. Ties will be broken by head-to-head competition record. No play-off games will be scheduled.
- B. Awards will be provided to managers when available at the end of the season.
- C. No awards will be given for the tournament.

POLICY STATEMENTS ON OFFICIALS

- A. Parks and Recreation Division provide Officials.
- B. One official per game will be assigned.
- C. Judgment calls are final. No protests concerning judgment calls.

D. The referee's score will be the official final score.

CARE OF FACILITIES

Please instruct all players and spectators to place empty cans and litter in trash receptacles. Misuse of school grounds/facilities will not be tolerated. Public school's policy prohibits beer, wine, liquor, or tobacco on school property and parking lots.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS FOR GAMES

To alleviate forfeits, and to keep play in the spirit of a recreational activity, a team may play with no more than six (6) players and no less than two (2). There must be a minimum of six (6) players on roster. For Coed, see local game rules.

UNATTACHED PLAYERS

Registration for the leagues is accepted as whole teams. If an individual wishes to get on a team the Recreation Office will place their name on a Free-Agent list, which is available to all team managers. This list is not a guarantee that a player will find a team, but it is offered as an option.

CANCELLATION PROCEDURES - call 214-2411 (then press 11) after 5:00 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Division may cancel games when:

- A. The roads are felt to be hazardous to the participants, spectators, officials and Recreation Staff.
- B. Any unforeseen conflict with facilities occur.
- C. Conditions at facilities are judged unsafe by Parks and Recreation Staff.
- D. Rescheduled games by Parks and Recreation Division will be played as soon as possible, on any given night, time, and facility.

****All cancellations will be announced on local radio stations as soon as a decision has been reached or call 214-2411 (then press 11) for updates.***

UNIFORMS

The Parks and Recreation Division does not require uniforms for our volleyball league but they are strongly encouraged.

PROTESTS

- A. Protests will not be considered if they are on a decision involving the accuracy of judgment on the part of the official. Protest will be considered when it concerns a rule interpretation.
- B. Protest on Player Eligibility: ATTENTION - Any protest on player eligibility can be made until the match is concluded. The moment the match is finished, no player eligibility protests may be declared by the offended team. If a match is protested on player eligibility and the protested players' name is not on the team roster, the match will be forfeited. If a match is protested on player eligibility and the protested players' name is found on two(2) team rosters, the match will be forfeited.

- C. All protests, which cannot be resolved by the Program Supervisor on site, must be submitted in WRITING on a Parks and Recreation protest form. This form must be turned into Parks and Recreation Office before closing on the next working day.

PROTEST PROCEDURES

- A. Make notification of intent to protest immediately to the official and/or Program Supervisor.
- B. Submit official written protest before closing on the next working day.
- C. Offending team may be notified concerning the protest.
- D. Written statements are collected from staff and offending team when necessary.
- E. If protest is upheld, notification will be made by mail.
 - 1. If protest is made on a misinterpretation of a rule and is upheld, but the ruling at the point of infraction had no direct effect on the final outcome, the match will not be replayed. The protest will be dismissed.
 - 2. If protest is made on a misinterpretation of a playing rule and is upheld, and at the point of infraction it had a direct effect on the final outcome, the match will be replayed from where the incorrect ruling was made.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY AND ROSTER ADDITIONS/DELETION

- A. All participants must be 18 years old on or before the first game in which they participate.
- B. The roster must be typed or printed neatly with all information requested.
- C. No player may play on more than one team or one league during the entire season.
EXCEPTION: Coed, plus men's or women's teams. (See "K")
- D. Rosters are open throughout the season to add names. A player can be added who has not participated on another team.
- E. A player's name must appear on the team roster and waiver before the match starts to be considered an eligible player.
- F. If a player wants to transfer from one team to another, or into a different league, they must inform the Program Supervisor immediately before making the transfer. There is a specific transfer procedure that must be followed.
- G. To protest player eligibility, see Protests.
- H. Make a roster addition through the Recreation Supervisor in the Recreation Office or with the Program Supervisor, before match time.
- I. The team roster must have the daytime phone number for the manager.
- J. All rosters must be filled out at the time of registration, with a minimum of six (6) Players listed.
- K. **Players must sign a release form provided from site supervisor and get opposing manager's signature in order to play on a non-rostered team.**

PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

The Parks and Recreation staff may question the eligibility of any player any time during, or after the game.

SAFETY OF CHILDREN

- A. The City of Flagstaff Parks and Recreation -ATHLETICS strongly recommends **that parents DO NOT bring your children to your games. *Children must stay inside the gym at all times with their parent.*** The Site Supervisor is NOT responsible for your children and in no way should be considered a babysitter.
- B. Parent/Guardian is responsible for the safety and behavior of their children at the facility. The City of Flagstaff is not responsible for children's behavior or safety.
- C. The following are the procedures that will be taken for control purposes.

FIRST OFFENSE - Child is given a verbal warning.

SECOND OFFENSE - Child is taken to the parent/guardian and given a verbal warning together.

THIRD OFFENSE-Parent/Guardian is asked to leave the match to supervise the child. Parent/Guardian may not re-enter the match after the third offense.

FOURTH OFFENSE-If parent/guardian does not leave the match or facility, the team will forfeit their match.

- D. The City of Flagstaff Parks and Recreation Division will strictly enforce this policy, as children have been disruptive to players, staff, and officials in the past. Children should be supervised if accompanying their parent to the facility. Parents of children that are left unsupervised and found to be disruptive, will be asked to leave the game to supervise their children. Children will not be allowed to enter other areas of the facility while attending parent's game.
- E. The following are examples of misbehavior:
 - * Horseplay
 - * Hanging/climbing on ropes or other equipment
 - * Running in hallways
 - * Playing behind curtains or on school stages
 - * Any other unsafe behavior that may be harmful to the child or others nearby.

These rules are for the safety and protection of the children and others in the facility.

SECTION II - VOLLEYBALL RULES

The City of Flagstaff's Parks and Recreation Division Adult Volleyball will be played according to the Arizona Interscholastic Association (A.I.A) rule book governing high school volleyball. A copy can be obtained at any sporting goods store. The following statements are rule points of emphasis and City League additions:

- A. Sportsmanship. Fair play with an emphasis on recreational participation should be followed at all times. Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated.
- B. Team Manager and Code of Conduct. All managers are responsible for the code of conduct of each player and all spectators associated with a team before, during, and after a City league game/tournament. Violation of the code of conduct, or behavior deemed "inappropriate," will receive minimum/maximum penalty (see Section III). The Parks and Recreation staff's decision is final.

- C. Rules of Emphasis: Section 6, article 5... Blocking a served ball is not permitted.
Section 4, article 6d...When 2 opposing players cause the ball to come to rest above the net (a joust) through simultaneous contact, play continues.

SCHEDULES

- A. All leagues must be able to play on any evening, Sunday through Friday.
- B. League play will begin late September, 2006.
- C. The team will be placed in the league division that is circled on the roster, unless staff believes the team should be moved up or down, or to fill the leagues evenly. If a team wins a league, their season will be reviewed and they may be required to register in a higher league for the next season.
- D. Teams may request no more than 10 copies of their season schedules.

GAME LIMIT and SCORING

- A. First game of match, forfeit is at game time. Second game of match, forfeit is five (5) minutes after start time of first game, and results in loss of match.
- B. A match will be the winner of two (2) out of three (3) games. The first two games will be played to 25 with a cap at 27, and the third game, if needed, will be played to 15 with a cap at 15. Rally score will be used for every game.
- C. A team must win by 2 points to win a game. **EXCEPTION:** Cap at 27 for the first two games and 15 for the third game.
- D. If third game is needed in the match, a team must score 15 points to win. **Example: 15-14**
- E. Tournament play will include the same scoring format. Tournament brackets will be provided.

LOCAL GAME RULES

- A. No street shoes, running shoes, or black-soled shoes that will leave marks on the gym floor will be allowed. All shoes must be court shoes.
- B. Game ball is furnished. If another ball is desired, both teams must agree to its use. At no time may the game ball be used other than during regulation game time. Please do not take the game ball out of the facility.
- C. Coed rotation will be male-female-male.
- D. A complete coed team consists of three men and three women. Maximum is six players, minimum of two are required. If a team does not have the same number of men and women players, they may play no more than one additional player of the opposite sex.
- E. The coach is the only team representative who may discuss a rule with the official. Judgment decisions will not be discussed.
- F. **No food, drink, or smoking will be permitted inside public school facilities at any time.** Violators will be suspended from further participation at the discretion of Parks and Recreation staff.

- G. All players play at their own risk.
- H. No hats or bandannas will be worn on the playing courts during match play.
- I. There will be one referee per game.
 - 1. Should the need arise and the facility is short an official, a Recreation Staff member will officiate until the official arrives.
- J. Jewelry is prohibited by ruling of A. I. A. rules. The City of Flagstaff will enforce this ruling. Any person with jewelry will be asked to remove it before the start of a match. Refusal to do so will result in ejection from the game.

NEW RULES: (These new rules are a mandatory for A.I.A. in 2004).

- K. A service ball that hits the net and goes over into the opponent's court is legal and playable.
- L. An open-hand serve receive (setting-style) is legal, but not recommended. "Bumping" the serve is recommended. Majority of time the official will call it illegal to "set" a serve unless it is clean and not considered a "lift".
- M. Any ball is playable off of any part of the body (unintentional or intentional).
- N. Rally score will be used for every game.

INJURY/911

Recreation Staff will dial 911 when an injury necessitates. Any player that is provided transportation by ambulance to a medical facility is responsible for that said ambulance transport fee.

ELASTICITY

Judgment will be made upon any rule or procedure not stated herein by the Senior Recreation Coordinator, as necessary, to provide for the recreational enjoyment of players, coaches, managers, spectators, officials, and Recreation Staff members.

C.O.F.A. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. **NO PARTICIPANT OR SPECTATOR SHALL** be guilty of a physical attack, lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike or kick an official, participant, coach, agency representative, manager, or another spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report participant to League Director. The participant shall remain suspended until his/her case is considered by the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from one (1) league game and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Such participant shall be suspended for life and/or felonious assault charges filed.(AZ Penal Code Sec. 243.8)
- 2. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** be guilty of leaving his or her offensive, defensive position or respective dugout areas to further incite any verbal or physical confrontation between players on the field or court.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Immediate ejection with possible further sanctions dispensed by league office.
NOTE: In the event said player(s) cannot be identified, the first, second, third, etc. Player(s) in the line-up are subject to being removed from the game..
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Forfeiture and/or double forfeiture of game and player suspensions as determined by league office up to life and/or felonious assault charges filed.

3. **NO PARTICIPANT OR SPECTATOR SHALL** be guilty of damaging or defacing agency, school district or sanctioned facilities. Officials or agency representative are required to immediately suspend individual and report incident to League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from further play until financial responsibility is met by individual and/or team AND probation for remainder of the season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension.
4. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** be guilty of an abusive verbal attack: including "trash talking" or taunting any participant, official, agency representative, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend the participant from further play. The infraction will be reported to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Four (4) game suspension and/or one year from time of incident.
5. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** use deliberately rough tactics during a game against the body and person of an opposing participant. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report incident to League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
6. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** refuse to abide by an official's decision or be guilty of verbal or forceful demonstrations of dissent to an official's decision. The degree of infraction shall, in the official's judgment, draw:
MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
7. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** be guilty of intentionally throwing a bat or item of playing equipment. Officials are required to immediately suspend the participant from further play and report such player to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
8. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** appear in, on or around a facility at any time under the influence or in possession of a controlled substance, or in an intoxicated condition. Officials are required to suspend participant from further play and report such player to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two (2) league games and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
9. **NO TEAM OR TEAMS SHALL** engage in physical aggression upon each other, officials, agency representatives, field supervisors, or spectators. Officials shall immediately suspend play and report, in writing, the incident to the League Director. Decision by League Director shall involve:
MINIMUM PENALTY: Forfeiture of game by one or both teams involved with suspension of one additional game and probation of one year from time of incident.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Dropping of one or both teams from COFA member leagues for life.
10. **NO MANAGER. PARTICIPANT. CAPTAIN. OR TEAM REPRESENTATIVE SHALL**, at any time be guilty of utilizing a non-roster or ineligible participant; or falsify the identification or age of any participant or person on an official league or tournament sports roster. Such falsification, intentional or otherwise, and with or without that participant or person's knowledge, shall be just cause for disciplinary action. The infraction will be reported to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: One year probation from time of incident.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One year suspension from time of incident.
11. **NO MANAGER. TEAM REPRESENTATIVE OR PARTICIPANT SHALL**, at any time, commit a fraudulent act (including gambling upon any play or outcome of any game) concerning any organized COFA event, function or sports tournament. Such act shall be cause for disciplinary action.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Probation for the remainder of the season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One year suspension from time of incident.
12. **EACH TEAM MEMBER IS RESPONSIBLE** to insure that payments made to COFA, ASA, or member cities (i.e. entry fees. tournament fees, facility costs, etc.), are valid and any costs incurred due to insufficient funds are the entire team's responsibility.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension of further play until financial responsibility is met.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension.

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. ***THE LEAGUE DIRECTORS SHALL*** have the power and full discretion of imposing penalties on any and all violations of the Players Code of Conduct. In any violation not included in said Code, the penalty shall be at the discretion of the League Director.
2. Any participant removed from a game must leave the park or school facility immediately. Failure to do so will carry a maximum penalty of one year suspension.
3. Any participant having been once penalized by enforcement of the "Code of Conduct" and reported again for violating the "Code of Conduct" will be subject to additional penalties open to the determination of the COFA Board.
4. Managers are responsible for actions of their participants and spectators at all times during a COFA activity or event and will be disciplined accordingly.
5. **The term participant shall include players, coaches and fans where appropriate. Managers are responsible for the actions of their fans.**

COFA CODE OF CONDUCT IS ENFORCED AND HONORED BY ALL C.O.F.A. AGENCIES, LEAGUES AND TOURNAMENTS. PARTICIPANTS ATTEMPTING TO PLAY IN C.O.F.A. - SANCTIONED EVENTS AFTER BEING SUSPENDED WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.

SECTION IV - ENFORCEMENT

If an official feels a minimum penalty is not sufficient, a report must be written up by the official and submitted to the Senior Recreation Coordinator.

SUSPENDED PLAYER

- A. A suspended player, either from the game or league, must remove himself/herself immediately from the confines of the contest area as designated by the on-site Program Supervisor.
- B. If a suspended player does not remove himself/herself from the confines of the area, his/her team members or manager is responsible for his/her removal.
- C. A suspended player may remain in the gym, at the discretion of the official and/or the Program Supervisor, if he/she remains orderly and quiet outside the contest area. But, if there is an outburst, heckling, or threats upon an official or Recreation Staff member, he/she will be ordered to leave by the Program Supervisor, or his/her team will forfeit.
- D. **TWO-MINUTE CLAUSE** - Two minutes shall be allowed for a suspended player to remove himself/herself from the designated contest area. If this time limit is not met, the contest shall be forfeited to the opponents.

The Program Supervisor or official may suspend a player from further game play only. The Senior Recreation Coordinator shall be responsible for suspending player(s) from further play, if necessary. A player, coach, or manager may appeal a decision within 24 hours in writing to the Parks and Recreation Office for further action. The Recreation Supervisor will hear the appeal within 10 working days

